

# SUBMARINE MENACE NOW THREATENS THE WORLD

Governments of Allied Powers Bending Every Energy To Meet and Overcome the Infamous Teutonic U-Boat Campaign

SECRETARY LANSING ADDS WARNING TO THAT OF LANE

Declares That "Situation Is Most Serious" — Electrical Experts Seeking a Way for Trapping the Hun Pirates At Work

(Associated Press by Commercial Cable) WASHINGTON, May 3 — All of the Allies aligned against the Central Powers have been forced to a recognition of the menace of the submarine as the greatest momentary peril that we have to face. It was admitted here last night that the government of the United States, as well as of Great Britain and France have put their electrical experts to work upon the problem presented by the German U-boats in the hope that something can be done to combat them effectively. It is known that American experts are at work upon devices which it is hoped will prove of service against them.

In speaking of the situation Secretary Lansing last night commented upon the warning issued yesterday afternoon by Secretary Lane, who had announced that he had information to the effect that the Allies have lost 400,000 tons of shipping during the last week from the submarine campaign. Secretary Lansing said:

"We have this information from the best possible sources, and we know that the situation is profoundly serious."

At the present rate of sinkings the seas will soon be denuded of their ships. Substantiating the statements of American officials last night, the British admiralty announced that for the week ending last Sunday at midnight, the total number of vessels between thirteen and sixteen hundred tons burden, sunk by the U-boats or mines had been twenty-eight. In addition to these eight fishing boats have been destroyed.

## DEADLOCK ON WEST FRONT CONTINUING

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) NEW YORK, May 3 — Reports from the fighting fronts indicate that there has been little or no change in the situation during the last few days, and that the armies of the Entente and the Central Powers are still locked in the desperate fight of the last few days. Gen. Maude, commanding the British forces in Mesopotamia, telegraphed that the Thirteenth Turkish army corps has been driven by the British from its positions on both banks of the Shatt El Adhem. Cavalry is pursuing the Turks into the Jebel Hamrin hills, taking many prisoners.

## ITALIAN GOVERNMENT NAMES COMMISSIONERS

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) ROME, May 3 — Announcement is made that the Italian commission to the United States will comprise Prince Udine, Senator Marconi, the great inventor, Marquis Bonarroti, and Deputy Claretta and Nitti.

## BILL MAKES FOOD SPECULATION CRIME

Kenyon Would Send Offenders To Prisons But Senator Thomas Says Hang 'Em

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, May 3 — Senator Kenyon of Iowa yesterday introduced a bill in the upper house, making it a crime to speculate in food commodities during the war. The bill also makes the storing of such articles with a view of cornering the market in them a punishable offense. The food situation has created a tremendous amount of comment in this city and particularly in the houses of congress. In the senate yesterday a lively discussion followed the introduction, in the course of which Senator Thomas of Colorado, declared that the present high prices could be "cured by a liberal course of hanging of food speculators to lamp posts." Senator Williams, of Mississippi, said that the "German corruption funds" might have figured largely in creating the food scare and the resultant high prices.

## HUGE DEMONSTRATION STIRS ALL OF SWEDEN

Thousands Parade Demanding More Food From Government

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) STOCKHOLM, May 3 — A despatch from Stockholm today says that the greatest Socialist demonstration ever seen in Scandinavia took place throughout Sweden on May Day.

Stirred by the hunger and growing hardship at the war, the Swedish people everywhere organized to demand for food. Great crowds in Stockholm all day thronged the streets carrying banners demanding more food and calling attention to their plight. Hundreds of children carried peace banners.

Parades also were held throughout Norway. Dissatisfaction there as in Sweden over the increasing price for food and the absolute shortage in many cases caused the most impressive demonstrations.

## NATIONS WILL POOL INSURANCE RISKS

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, May 2 — Pooling of American war risk insurance with the Allies is proposed by the administration, a bill to that effect being introduced today.

Under the bill, American ships and cargoes will be insured by the Allies and the United States will reimburse the Allies' ships and cargoes. An appropriation of \$250,000,000 is asked, which will include insurance of the lives of seamen in American ships.

## CHANCELLOR POSTPONES HIS SPEECH ON PEACE TERMS

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) COPENHAGEN, May 3 — News that Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's proposed peace speech in the reichstag has been postponed until a more fitting occasion.

Growing opposition to the more drastic provisions of the Espionage bill manifested itself among Senators for some time. This opposition is directed chiefly against Subsection C, Section 2, which would punish by ten years' imprisonment the publication of, or attempt to elicit, information regarding things military in violation of regulations to be made by the President. It is pointed out that these regulations, if wisely drawn, might obviate direct objections to the provision of the bill, but the fact that regulations still unknown are protected by a ten-year penal sentence is in itself the subject of much comment.

Senator Overman of North Carolina, Chairman of the Subcommittee of the Committee on Judiciary, said recently that there was no desire on the committee's part to cripple the press. On many parts of the bill, he said, the committee members had open minds, and if objections presented in debate seemed reasonable the bill might be changed to meet the situation.

Such prominent lawyers of the committee as Senators Borah of Idaho, Cummins of Iowa and Smith of Georgia are known to oppose the provision restricting or threatening the freedom of the press. It has been pointed out that the provision to punish attempts to elicit information issued by Presidential regulation might be applied by an angry official to legitimate inquiries regarding news addressed to responsible persons. The provision as drafted makes no exception in favor of such inquiries made with innocent intention.

## DISCLOSURES AT KATZENBACH TRIAL

Friend of Kaiser Proved To Have Been Aided By Congressmen From Illinois

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) NEW YORK, May 3 — Startling disclosures were made yesterday at a trial of Franz von Katzenbach, the alleged secret agent of the Kaiser in this country. According to testimony given at the trial plans were set afoot by the accused to entrap this country with Mexico, and he worked through special channels to secure the cooperation of Blumstein, the deal dealer of Mexico.

Von Katzenbach, who is reputed to have been the personal friend of the Kaiser since he came here in 1915 and immediately began the work of sowing trouble in the munition factories of the country. He also conspired to create labor troubles in the country, with the aim of forcing the munition plants supplying the Kaiser with shells and other supplies, to close down.

In the connection Emanuel Gompers, the president of the American Federation of Labor, will be summoned as a witness. He is expected to make some startling disclosures also. Among them it is believed will be the assertion that Frank Buchanan, a congressman from Illinois, went to considerable lengths to aid the plots of the German agent.

## WAR PRISONERS TO BE TURNED TO GARDENING

(By The Associated Press) CHEYENNE, Wyoming, May 2 — "Use of the prisoners to cultivate municipal farms" is the gist of a communication recently sent by Acting Governor Frank L. Hox to the mayors and councils of incorporated towns in Wyoming.

The governor points out that in the present food crisis it will be possible to utilize a considerable amount of labor now expended by "chain gangs" on the streets on farms for the relief of the present food crisis.

"I believe the town governments can play an important part in food production," he said, "if they will set aside areas for gardening purposes and will work these gardens with 'chain gang' labor."

But suspicion had been aroused before he reached Honolulu. The ship that brought him here went on to San Francisco, where the suspicions were voiced, and a few minutes after it docked at San Francisco cable instructions were received here for Wehde's arrest.

He is accused, by the government officials here, with having been actively identified in intrigues in British India against the British government and particularly with a plot to convey arms and ammunition from refugee German ships in Manila to Indian rebels. The conspiracies with which he is alleged to be connected centered in Chicago where he claims residence, and he will be tried there. Extradition was waived.

As far as can be learned from information made public, Wehde's methods were those typically German. He professed to be a biologist and scientist interested in similar topics, and to be a painter. He exhibited alleged samples of his work in the Orient that won him attention in desirable circles in Honolulu. Among other officials he called upon E. M. Ehrhorn, of the territorial geological department and collected data on the work of that bureau.

## AINAHOU CHANGED TO RESIDENCE DISTRICT

Real Estate Man Cuts It Into Building Lots

Ainahou, the beautiful grove at Wai-iki, and celebrated in one of the poems of Robert Louis Stevenson, has now completely disappeared before the encroachment of civic improvement. James W. Pratt who, with other interests, purchased this tract some time back to cut into building lots has had the site so altered that it now presents the appearance of an up-to-date residential settlement.

Practically every home which has been erected on this popular tract is nearing completion. The fine concrete roads are being made with all haste, and the water, gas, electric light and sewer systems which are being connected with each lot are now in their final stages.

In laying out the land, only the trees necessary to make the roads are being cut down, which will leave all the rare plants, flowers and trees with which the land abounds, for the new occupants to dispose of as they desire. The popularity of Ainahou as a residential quarter is attested. Mr. Pratt yesterday said that since Thursday last deeds for eight lots have been issued locally, and he anticipates an early demand for the balance. The lots already taken are from 1 to 7 inclusive and lot 37.

## FEDERAL OFFICIAL TAKES ALLEGED SPY BACK TO MAINLAND

United States Marshal Starts For Chicago With Prisoner Captured Here

ALBERT WEHDE ARRESTED UNDER GRAVE CHARGES

Declared To Have Fomented Insurrection Against British Government in India

The search for German spies has extended to Honolulu and has already resulted in the arrest of one man who is charged with being an agent of the German government and implicated in a plot to cause a revolution in India. Albert Wehde came here April 19, though not for the first time, and was well received by business and social circles, to which he had plausible credentials. But from the time of his arrival he was under surveillance of the federal authorities, and he was arrested several days ago. His arrest was known to the newspapers at the time, but nothing was said about it on request of government officials.

Wehde, however, is now on his way to San Francisco, in charge of the United States marshal. He is charged with conspiracy to foment trouble in India against the British government.

Wehde was in Honolulu first in August of 1915, at which time he represented himself as a curio buyer. He went on from here to Manila. According to official reports, he there disguised himself as a Hindu and set sail for India. The ship was wrecked in a storm and Wehde was picked up by a Chinese junk. Later he was captured by a Japanese cruiser, but so nearly perfect was his disguise, that it was not penetrated by the Japanese and he was released.

Where Wehde went from Japan is a mystery, but on April 19 he turned up again in Honolulu, coming here from the Orient. He made no attempt at hiding here. He even addressed the Rotary Club, representing himself as an artist who had been painting the flowers of the Orient. He has artistic ability, to, and his paintings had sufficient merit to enable him to "get by" with his story.

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## LAND RESOLUTION KILLED IN THE DYING SESSION

The Senate Resolution, introduced by Chillingworth, asking congress to amend the land laws of the Territory as to give the Governor absolute power of disposal of the public lands of the Territory, was killed by the house in the last minutes of the session last night.

The resolution, regarded as the most important matter before the legislature, was passed by the senate without much opposition. When it reached the house it was referred to the land committee. The land committee was organized over the matter for some days and then reported it out without recommendation, saying it was unable to reach a decision and thought the house as a whole should act on the resolution.

But the house refused to act and referred it to the land committee. There it stood until the hour of adjournment was almost reached, when the land committee again reported on it. This time the committee recommended that the resolution be tabled. Representative Polzie opposed the adoption of the committee's report. Andrews made a speech strongly favoring the passing of the resolution. It was his belief, one of the most important matters that had come before the legislature, that it was revolutionary in its nature, its effects, if congress should allow, being to overturn completely the present land laws and place the disposal of all public lands, virtually in the hands of the Governor. It would mean the end of homeowning in the Territory and the handing of all valuable lands to the sugar plantations for a period of twenty-five years.

There might or might not be merit in the resolution, Andrews said, but the fact few minutes of the session was no time for the legislature to pass upon so important a question. It could do no harm to let it rest for two years, and meantime the people of Hawaii would have time to consider the matter and decide what they wanted.

## LOS ANGELES GUARDS AGAINST CARRANZA

Police Chief Organizes "Preparedness Volunteers"

(By The Associated Press) LOS ANGELES, May 2 — With the declaration of a state of war with Germany, this city fearing that the plan suggested in the Zimmerman note to Carranza might bear fruit, instantly took extraordinary preparedness measures.

Chief of Police J. L. Butler after conferences with the military authorities issued a call, the day following the declaration for "preparedness volunteers" the main purpose being to prevent the burning of the city.

Chief Butler's call was for men with arms and ammunition, automobiles and automobile trucks. The questions asked each volunteer included address, business and past military experience, make of rifle owned, caliber and rounds of ammunition. Over 100,000 automobiles are owned in and about the city and before a week passed Butler was in a position to call out a large force of unarmed, armed men.

Printed instructions were handed to each volunteer which said in part: "Signal for immediate mobilization, flashing on and off of street lights five distinct periods of darkness. General blowing of whistles, three minute blasts and one minute intervals."

"On noting either of these signals, individuals and organizations who have volunteered their services will proceed at once to the nearest mobilization point, taking with them whatever arms and ammunition they possess."

"Automobile and trucks available for use will proceed to the nearest mobilization point."

"All men on arrival will report to the police officer in charge."

"Those not actually engaged in rendering assistance are urged to remain indoors. These signals will not be used except in great emergency."

"A close watch should be kept for fire."

The effect of this call was noted at once in the buying up by volunteers of nearly all the available supply of ammunition in local stores, but with the exception of the opening of Red Cross headquarters and recruiting stations, conditions here are normal.

## SUFFRAGE LEADERS TO ASK IMMEDIATE ACTION

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, May 4 — The suffrage leaders have made an arrangement for a committee to visit the White House and confer with President Wilson regarding the immediate submission of an amendment to the Constitution to the States, granting the vote to women. The conference will be held May 14. This is the result of the action taken by the recent Progressive convention. It is argued that we are now fighting for liberty and democracy and that the war can not be waged wholeheartedly until women have been given equal rights with men.

**PAY ENVELOPES BIGGER**  
The salary of every employee of the Honolulu Rapid Transit & Land Company has been raised ten per cent since January 1, according to an announcement made by the company this week. About 250 employees are affected.

## COURT'S DECISION TIES PRESS TIGHT

Would Prohibit Publication of Any Suit Until Finding Is Handed Down

In awarding Eugene Murphy, attorney at Wailuku, \$1000 damages against the Maui News for libel, Judge Kemp late Tuesday rendered a decision that, on the face of it, aspects all previous interpretations of libel in this Territory and, it followed out to its apparent logical conclusion would preclude the publication by newspapers of the allegations contained in almost any suit filed in the courts.

The Maui News published last February a story to the effect that Attorney Murphy had settled out of court, without the knowledge of his client, a certain suit that had been filed. The News, according to the testimony given in the trial of the libel suit brought by Murphy, obtained this information from an affidavit filed with the clerk of the circuit court. It appeared, however, that before the story was published the affidavit was withdrawn and the case never came to trial.

Murphy sued for \$20,000 damages, alleging that his reputation had been injured to that extent. The defense declared on the witness stand that there was no intent to injure Mr. Murphy's reputation, and Will J. Cooper, editor of the Maui News, testified that he didn't consider that Mr. Murphy's reputation was at all damaged by the publication of the story. Cooper said that the item was published merely as a matter of routine and testified that he learned of it from the clerk of the court.

Judge Kemp stated last night, in reply to questions, that the effect of his decision would be to preclude the publication of all of parties proceedings, including the filing of any suit until the court has rendered its decision. In which case the military censor will have to take a back seat.

## HAWAIIAN SAILORS ON U-BOAT VICTIM

Thirteen Members of Crew of the Old Nebraskan Are Believed To Be Dead

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, May 3 — The American steamer Rockingham, formerly the steamer Nebraskan of the American Hawaiian line, with eleven Hawaiians among the members of her crew, was sunk yesterday, according to information received by the state department yesterday afternoon. Thirteen members of the crew of the steamer are reported missing. A boat, which had contained them, have been picked up empty by a patrol boat. The Rockingham carried forty-nine men, thirteen of whom were American seamen, attached to the gun guard that was sent with the steamer to aid in protecting the ship against submarine attack. The value of the ship and her cargo is placed by her owners at \$3,350,000.

## GERMAN AEROPLANE LOSS TREMENDOUS

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) LONDON, May 2 — During April the Germans lost 369 airplanes on the western front, the French and Belgians 201 and the British 147, according to an announcement today. The highest previous total for a month was 329.

## RIVERS AND HARBORS MEASURE UP AGAIN

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, May 2 — The house rivers and harbors committee today resumed consideration of the waterways appropriation bill, based on the war department's recommendations, including \$50,000 for the improvement of Honolulu harbor and \$100,000 for continuing the improvement at Hilo.

## EIGHTEEN DROWNED

(Associated Press by Naval Radio Service) LIVERPOOL, May 2 — Capt. S. B. Harris, skipper of the American oil tanker Ypsuan, submerged, reports that eighteen of his crew were lost, and that Lieutenant Thomas, U. S. N., heretofore reported missing, lost his life. Lieutenant Thomas was in command of the naval gunners.

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## FETE OF MAY DAY GIVEN AT PUNAHOU BY A FAIRY HOST

Hundreds of Little Ones From City's Kindergartens Win Cheers of Crowds

GAILY SPONTANEOUS LADS AND LASSIES IN FESTIVAL

Oriental Dances By Chinese and Japanese Maids and Youths Features of Program

"An airy, fairy, childhood sprite, Danced from the mists into the night." Yesterday afternoon at Punahou, and the annual May Day fete of the Honolulu kindergartens, one day late, was under way. It was an airy, fairy fete, with eight hundred gaily costumed babies taking part, gravely conscious in the beginning and gayly spontaneous as soon as the first applause had rung across the Punahou campus. A large crowd, considering that the event was a postponed one and that there was rain in many parts of the city during the afternoon, was present.

Mrs. Howard D. Bode was the "airy, fairy, childhood sprite," and the poet had seen her dance before he penned the lines from the program, which top this column. Mrs. Bode was the personification of the spirit of childhood, dainty, graceful, beautiful and quite in tune with the whims of humanity who grouped about her during the afternoon.

The program consisted of dances by the various kindergarten representatives, each group in costume of its own choosing, with an ensemble in which the entire eight hundred took part. The Muriel Kindergarten began it, with a dance in which the girls wore lilac blossoms and the boys green male leaves. The tiny tots wove themselves into an Italian. The Fort Street Kindergarten had a doll pageant, with a flock of floats, miniature of the Cherry Blossom entries of the Mid-Pacific Carnival, four-foot-square lantern parade dupliques, flower bedecked soap boxes and other entries, smilingly dragged across the green by costumed babies. When the parade was over, all the floats were lifted onto a dais and carried off.

An Oriental dance, by Chinese and Japanese maids and masters; a butterfly dance by bewitching tots from the Kaniwa Kindergarten; a spring dance by Miss Doris Noble and the children of the Palama Kindergarten; a bakers' dance by the same kindergarten and an Italian dance by scalp-hunting braves and squaws of the Miller Street kindergarten, were performed, admired and applauded. The Kalili kindergarten sent a troop of page riders, who dashed their fiery mounts over hurdles and performed other feats of horsemanship.

One contingent not on the program was a band of overalls farmers, marching for ground to cultivate in order that we may win the war. One lone suffragette accompanied the cultivators and when things did not go to her liking she sprang on the shoulders of a husky man with the hoe and bore him howling to the ground. There was also one lone Ethiopian, some thirty inches high, seven of which was pina dressed. She received an unusual share of appreciative handclapping from the blanchers.

There was a good crowd, which the Boy Scouts had no trouble with, and the various booths were liberally patronized, many selling out early. The flower booth did a roaring trade in orchids, contributed to the cause from the green houses of Honolulu.

## MAY TOW TEUTON SHIPS TO COAST

Work has been commenced on the seven German refugee steamers, now in the hands of the United States government, to making them seaworthy, and restore their shattered machinery. It is expected in official circles that they will be rushed to serviceability as fast as possible. It is currently reported that the steam schooner Columbia will assist in towing the vessels to San Francisco, and negotiations are being made with the Matson Navigation Company with the idea of using their vessels in towage. The Columbia is given an indicated horsepower of 1300 in the marine lists.

Surveys are being made of the vessels, it was stated yesterday, and that those which will have to be repaired in San Francisco will have their needs cabled ahead of them in order that work on them may be expedited as fast as possible upon their arrival at the Coast port. An official statement yesterday that it had been determined that four of them, at least, would have to be repaired on the Coast.

"There are no immediate prospects of these vessels leaving for San Francisco," stated Captain George H. Clark, U. S. N., commandant of the local naval district yesterday. "Reports to that effect are erroneous. We are working on the vessels but nothing definite has been ordered."

It was predicted yesterday that some of the vessels would be moved away from the wharves where they now are. The machinery of all of them was destroyed by their own crews the first of February when Germany announced plans which she felt sure would result in war with the United States.